

CITY OF DETROIT FISCAL 2004/05 BUDGET

AGENCY 30 DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

MISSION

The mission of the Department of Human Services (DHS) is to help identify and alleviate causes of poverty, and promote self-sufficiency and self-determination by providing quality, efficient services in a compassionate manner to income eligible and disadvantaged persons, children, families and individuals with special needs.

DESCRIPTION

The Department of Human Services is Michigan's largest Community Action Agency (CAA) and provides a broad range of coordinated emergency and supportive services for low-income individuals and families through its network of service centers and grant-funded programs.

Some of these programs and services include an Emergency Food program for clients in crisis situations who do not qualify for other assistance; distribution of U.S. Department of Agriculture surplus commodity food to low-income clients; a Home Weatherization Program which provides energy conservation services through home repairs, furnace replacement and insulation for income-qualified clients and emergency energy support through a heating bill payment assistance program; a Drug Treatment Program which provides effective treatment for drug addiction in order to reduce the number of active addicts. Other services include the administration of Head Start services in Detroit through contractual agreements with eight delegates in order to impact the intellectual, physical, mental health and nutritional aspects of learning among the low-income pre-school children and their families; a Human Services Transportation Project for income-eligible Detroiters for priority trips to medical and social service agency appointments; emergency and supportive services provided to the homeless; and a Youth Activities program that secures resources and assists and supports youth services organizations interested in implementing programs that empower youth to achieve their highest potential.

GOALS

1. Provide staff, income eligible clients and others with resources that help to reduce crime and violence and provide for greater health, welfare and safety of our citizens.
2. Improve staff productivity and communication skills by providing an environment that is conducive and supportive of work site wellness.
3. Ensure that all eligible individuals receive the optimum benefit of all services provided.
4. Maximize grant funds by aggressively seeking and obtaining and effectively and efficiently administering resources.
5. Target City-based business for procurement of goods and services.

DEPARTMENTAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

| | GENERAL FUND | BLOCK GRANT | GENERAL GRANT | OTHER | TOTAL |
|--------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| EXPENDITURES | \$1,296,760 | \$2,000,000 | \$2,160,000 | \$68,997,130 | \$74,453,890 |
| REVENUES | <u>300,000</u> | <u>2,000,000</u> | <u>2,160,000</u> | <u>68,997,130</u> | <u>73,457,130</u> |
| NET TAX COST | \$ 996,760 | \$ 0 | \$ 0 | \$ 0 | \$ 996,760 |
| POSITIONS | 9 | 0 | 31 | 122 | 162 |